

Heart THROBS

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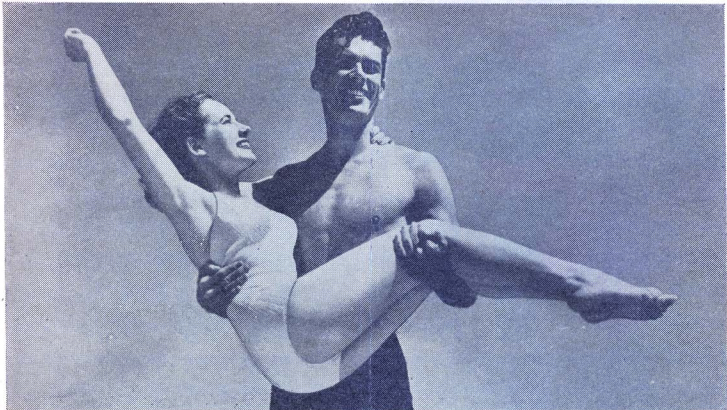
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**I MARRIED A
GOOD TIME CHARLIE
MAN CRAZY
KISSES CAME SECOND
THIRD TIME IS LUCKY**





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Skinny Girls Don't Have OOMPH!

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"ISN'T FRAN SYKES LUCKY?" PEOPLE WOULD SAY ABOUT ME! "IMAGINE BEING MARRIED TO THE MOST POPULAR MAN IN TOWN!" OH, IT DID SEEM EXCITING, TO BE THE WIFE OF GORDY SYKES, WHOSE WONDERFUL PERSONALITY WON OVER EVERYONE WHO MET HIM! BUT NO ONE KNEW OF THE PAIN THAT SEARED MY HEART, THE ACHING LONELINESS THAT BECAME MY LOT THE DAY

I Married a **GOOD TIME CHARLIE!**



There was no indication of the torment that would follow the day Gordy and I were married!

BEST OF LUCK, GORDY! HOPE THIS WON'T TAKE YOU OUT OF CIRCULATION!

OF COURSE NOT! LIFE WOULD BE PRETTY PULL IN THESE PARTS WITHOUT GORDY!



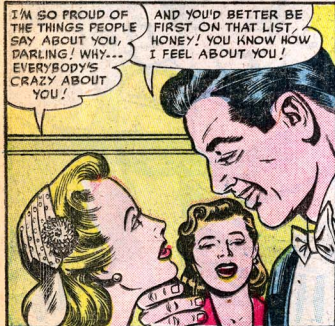
YOU GOT YOURSELF A DREAM BOY, FRAN! ANYTIME YOU SEE A CROWD OF HAPPY PEOPLE, YOU'LL FIND GORDY IN THE MIDDLE!

NEVER MET A FELLOW WHO HAD MORE FRIENDS!



I'M SO PROUD OF THE THINGS PEOPLE SAY ABOUT YOU, DARLING! WHY... EVERYBODY'S CRAZY ABOUT YOU!

AND YOU'D BETTER BE FIRST ON THAT LIST, HONEY! YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT YOU!



I had suggested Mar Vista, a quiet seaside resort town for our honeymoon! Gordy laughed good-humoredly about my choice!

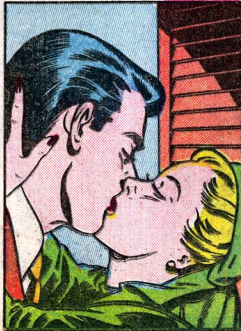
I THINK YOU PICKED THE ONE TOWN ON THE MAP WHERE I DON'T KNOW A SOUL!

YOU BET I DID! AFTER THE RUSH OF PARTIES WE'VE GONE THROUGH, I'M MAKING SURE WE'LL BE ALONE NOW!



IT'S STILL HARD TO BELIEVE! YOU WANT TO BE WITH ME... ALONE WITH ME!

WE'RE GOING TO BE ALONE TOGETHER FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES!

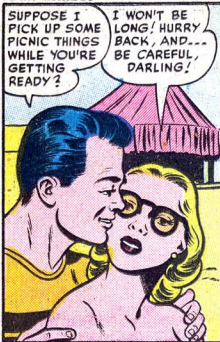


I DON'T BLAME PEOPLE FOR LIKING YOU, GORDY... BUT I DON'T EVER WANT TO SHARE YOU WITH ANYONE!

FINE! WE'LL MOVE INTO AN AIR-CONDITIONED CAVE AND MAKE LIKE HERMITS! SLIP ME ANOTHER KISS, MRS. HERMIT!

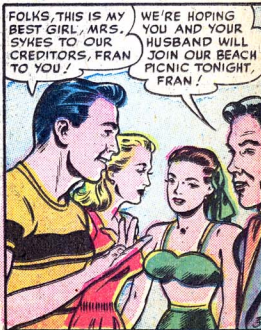


I doubt that I'll ever again know the bliss and exultation of those first few days with my new husband! But that weekend I got an inkling of the price I would have to pay for Gordy's popularity!



It was four o'clock when Gordy left for the tiny Vista Mar shopping district, a five minute walk from our cottage! At six thirty...

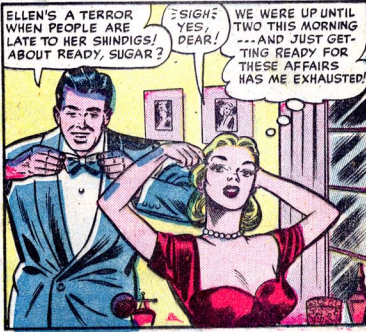
SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO HIM! I KNOW SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAS HAPPENED!



If I had illusions of sharing a quiet love nest with Gordy they were shattered soon after we moved into our new home!



And if we weren't entertaining Gordy's endless procession of friends, we went out!



My first bitter words were hurled at Gordy late one night after an impromptu party at our home!



AREN'T THEY A SWELL BUNCH, HONEY? I SAID, AREN'T THEY A...

I HEARD WHAT YOU SAID! I'D RATHER NOT DISCUSS THAT CROWD OF... LEECHES!

FRAN! HONEY, YOU MUSTN'T FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT OUR FRIENDS!



HOW DO YOU EXPECT ME TO FEEL, STARING INTO A SINKFUL OF DISHES AT 2 A.M.? I'LL BE ALL IN TOMORROW, JUST CLEANING UP THE HOUSE!

HERE, I'LL GIVE YOU A HAND!



OH, GORDY, IT ISN'T JUST THE WORK! I'VE EVEN RESIGNED MYSELF TO THE ROLE OF COMBINATION CATERER, MAID, SOCIAL BUTTERFLY AND SMILING HOSTESS!

BUT I WON'T LET THEM COME BETWEEN US, GORDY! I WON'T!

HERE, HERE, NOBODY'S COMING BETWEEN US! YOU'RE JUST TIRED TONIGHT, BABY! GO ON AND GET YOUR FORTY WINKS AND LET ME TAKE OVER!



I was still awake when Gordy finished the cleanup job and wearily dragged himself to our room!



FRAN! DON'T TELL ME YOU AREN'T ASLEEP YET?

I... CAN'T SLEEP, GORDY! SOMEHOW, I'M CONFUSED AND... ALL CHURNED UP INSIDE!

DARLING... DO YOU REALLY NEED THOSE PEOPLE SO VITALLY? I MEAN... AREN'T THERE TIMES WHEN YOU'D RATHER BE ALONE WITH ME... TALKING, READING, MAYBE JUST SITTING QUIETLY, BUT... BEING ALONE WITH ME?



OH, FRAN!

PEOPLE ARE A PART OF OUR LIVES, SWEET! WE CAN'T DIVORCE OURSELVES FROM THEM! THAT DOESN'T MEAN I LOVE YOU ANY LESS, DOES IT?

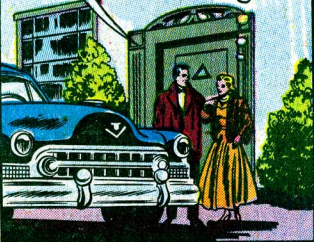


NO! NO, I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU LOVE ME ANY LESS! MAYBE MY TROUBLE LIES IN... LOVING YOU TOO MUCH!

Gordy was kind and sympathetic, but there was no changing our way of life! There was a personal magnetism about him that made his popularity inevitable, and as his circle of friends grew, I felt a deepening rift between us!

YOU DON'T MIND ABOUT TONIGHT, DO YOU, DEAR? I MEAN, WE DO OWE THE CHANDLERS A DINNER!

WHAT DO WE OWE EACH OTHER, GORDY? WE'RE ALMOST LIKE STRANGERS!



FOR A MINUTE THERE I THOUGHT WE HAD OUR DATES MIXED, BUT JANET'S PARTY IS NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT, AFTER THE BISHOP'S DINNER DANCE!

I USED TO DREAM OF HAVING A HOME OF OUR OWN AND SITTING IN FRONT OF THE FIREPLACE, JUST HOLDING HANDS WITH GORDY!



Then, miraculously, we found ourselves dining alone one evening, with no invitations and no guests expected!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT, GORDY! WE'RE GOING TO SPEND AN EVENING AT HOME!

DON'T THINK I WON'T ENJOY IT TOO, FRAN! YOU'RE STILL MY FAVORITE COMPANY, YOU KNOW!



WE'LL WATCH T.V. FOR A WHILE AND THEN HAVE COFFEE AND TALK! OH, GORDY, WE HAVE SO MUCH TO TALK ABOUT!

ANY-THING YOU SAY, HON! BUT I'D LIKE TO SHOWER FIRST!



GO AHEAD, DEAR! I'LL JUST STACK THESE DISHES TONIGHT!

BIG EVENING AHEAD OF US, EH? I'LL HURRY, SUGAR!



MAYBE IT'S SILLY, BUT I WANT TO LOOK PRETTY FOR GORDY TONIGHT! I'LL WEAR THAT NEW HOUSECOAT HE BOUGHT FOR MY BIRTHDAY!



Excited as a new bride, I hurried to dress for our wonderful evening together. Gordy was still upstairs, singing in the shower, when I sat down in the living room!

WHY CAN'T IT ALWAYS BE LIKE THIS? WE... OH, NO! NO, IT CAN'T BE!



a strange fury pounded in my breast as I walked to the door! My intuition wasn't wrong!



SURPRISE! WE WERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THOUGHT WE'D DROP IN!

IT'S A MIRACLE TO FIND THESE KIDS AT HOME! HI, FRAN, WHERE'S THE BOSS-MAN?

HE'S...BUSY! WE... WE HAVE OUR EVENING PLANNED!

WELL, SAY... DON'T LET US KEEP YOU IF YOU'RE GOING OUT!



WE AREN'T GOING OUT! WE'RE STAYING HOME, AND WE WANT TO BE ALONE! DOESN'T THAT EVER OCCUR TO ANY OF YOU? WE WANT TO BE TOGETHER, WITHOUT A CROWD AROUND US?

WELL...REALLY! WHAT'S GOT INTO YOU?

Suddenly all the pent up resentment I had been suppressing exploded into biting words! Not until I had slammed the door did I realize Gordy had been listening!



GO AWAY! I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF ALL OF YOU!

FRAN! YOU CAN'T TALK TO PEOPLE THAT WAY!



I CAN BE AS INCONSIDERATE AS THEY ARE! WE HARDLY KNOW THESE PEOPLE!

I'VE GOT TO STOP THEM... APOLOGIZE...!



DO THAT, GORDY! BUT DON'T EXPECT ME TO STAY IN THIS HOUSE AFTERWARD. I'M THROUGH PLAYING SECOND-RIDDLE TO YOUR PHONY FRIENDS!

DO AS YOU LIKE, FRAN!

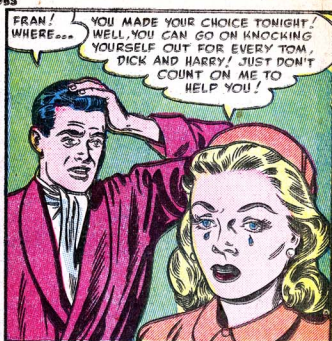


For a split second, Gordy stared at me in unbelieving wonder, almost in contempt! And then...

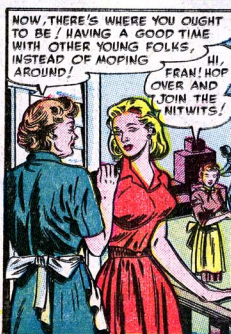
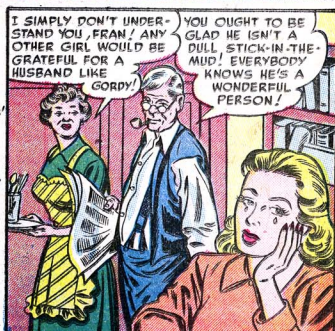
HEY, THERE! C'MON BACK! MY WIFE'S GETTING TO BE AS WHACKY A PRACTICAL JOKER AS I AM!

HOLY SMOKES! THAT WAS A GAG! HA, HA! WHO'DA THOUGHT FRAN HAD A SENSE OF HUMOR!

Somehow I struggled through that evening, smiling when I wanted to collapse in tears, brutally hurt by the significance of Gordy's decision! And then...



Heart-broken, I made my way to my parents' home! But I found little sympathy there!

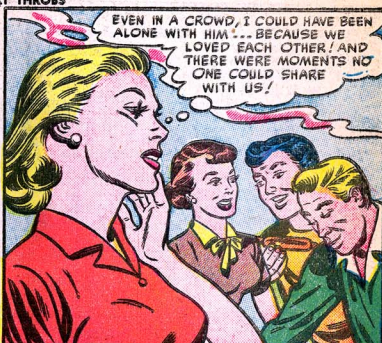


I was lonesome! That desolate week without Gordy had become unbearable! And before an hour had passed!



UMM! NOW HERE'S A GIRL WHO KNOWS HOW TO FIX A STEAK!

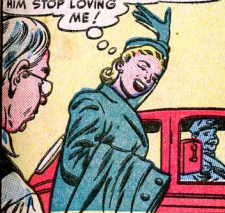
THEY LIKE ME! MAYBE IF I HAD JOINED THE FUN WITH GORDY'S FRIENDS, I'D... HAVE FELT CLOSER TO HIM!



EVEN IN A CROWD, I COULD HAVE BEEN ALONE WITH HIM... BECAUSE WE LOVED EACH OTHER! AND THERE WERE MOMENTS NO ONE COULD SHARE WITH US!

Thoughts, regrets, memories! They whirled in my mind like a kaleidoscope, and suddenly I knew what I had to do!

MAYBE IT'S TOO LATE! BUT SOMEHOW I'LL MAKE GORDY REALIZE I'M SORRY! I CAN'T LET HIM STOP LOVING ME!



Moments later, at home...

GORDY! GORDY, I... I HAD TO COME BACK!

FRAN! OH, DARLING...



THAT OFFICE GANG INVADDED THE PLACE TONIGHT! I KEPT LONGING FOR YOU, WONDERING IF THE EVENING WOULD EVER END!

DON'T SAY THAT, GORDY! THEY... THEY ARE YOUR FRIENDS! MAYBE THEY LIKE YOU FOR THE SAME REASONS I LEARNED TO LOVE YOU!



BUT WE'RE GOING TO WEED THEM OUT, FRAN! AND EVEN OUR REAL FRIENDS WILL HAVE TO RESPECT OUR PRIVACY!

WE'VE... BOTH LEARNED SOMETHING, HAVEN'T WE, DEAR?



I LEARNED HOW MUCH I NEED YOU, DARLING! HOW MUCH I WANT TO HAVE YOU ALL TO MYSELF!

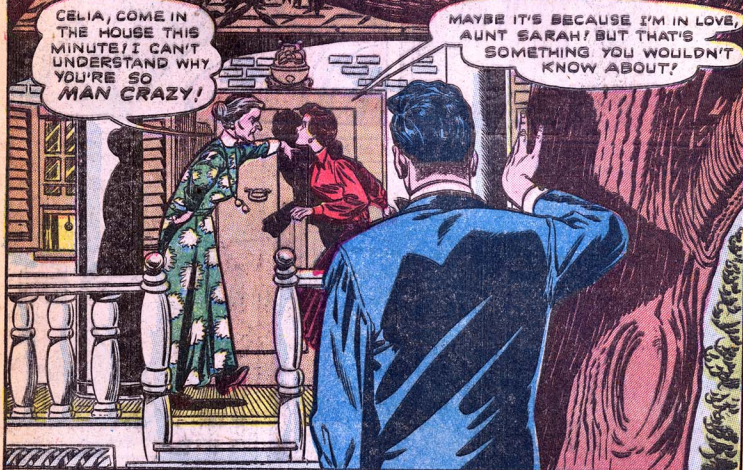
HOLD ME CLOSE, GORDY! EVEN SHARING YOU IS BETTER THAN NOT HAVING YOU AT ALL!



It has been said that "give and take" is the recipe for a happy marriage! Sometimes, when Gordy and I are alone for the evening, we sit and recall how we learned that important lesson!

BEING AN ORPHAN WAS BAD ENOUGH IN ITSELF BUT HAVING AUNT SARAH CARVER FOR A GUARDIAN WAS LIKE A LIFE SENTENCE OF LONELINESS! BECAUSE I WAS A NORMAL GIRL WITH PERFECTLY NORMAL EMOTIONS, HAD SHE A RIGHT TO CALL ME...

MAN CRAZY



My BIG PROBLEM BEGAN THE DAY I MET BRUCE FULLER! I HAD BEEN SHOPPING AND WAS STARTING ACROSS THE STREET WHEN...



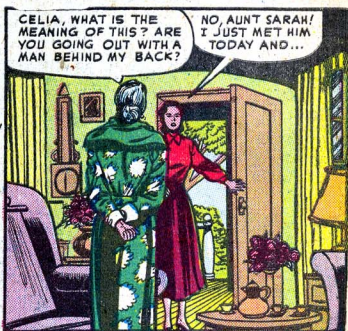
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IF I HAD STOPPED TO USE REASON AT ALL, I WOULD HAVE REFUSED! BUT A STRANGE, QUIVERY KIND OF EXCITEMENT HAD RACED THROUGH ME BY BEING IN HIS ARMS... A THRILL THAT I WANTED TO LAST! AS WE DROVE UP IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE...



EVEN AS I SAID IT, I COULD ALMOST FEEL THE PAIR OF EYES WATCHING ME FROM THE WINDOW! I KNEW THAT AUNT SARAH WOULDN'T APPROVE BUT I WAS NOT QUITE PREPARED FOR THE SCENE THAT FOLLOWED.



AS MY LEGAL GUARDIAN, AUNT SARAH HAD REFUSED TO LET ME GO WITH BOYS EXCEPT OF HER OWN CHOOSING SO MY DATES HAD BEEN FEW AND ALWAYS DULL! BUT NOW I WAS READY TO REBEL!

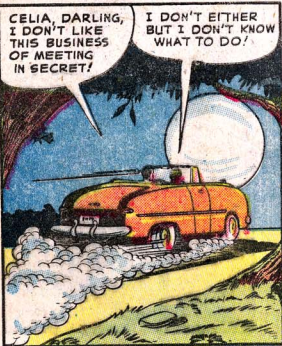


SHE'S NOT GOING TO KEEP ME UNDER HER THUMB FOREVER! I TOLD BRUCE I'D GO WITH HIM AND I WILL!



SHE'LL BE AWAY TOMORROW NIGHT AND SO WILL I! IF I'M TO BE ACCUSED OF GOING OUT BEHIND HER BACK, I'LL DO IT!

AND SO I STARTED MAKING EXCUSES AND SLIPPING AWAY TO MEET BRUCE ON THE SLY! HE WAS A STRUGGLING YOUNG LAWYER AND WORKED LONG HOURS BUT WE WERE TOGETHER AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. THEN ONE NIGHT...



CELIA, DARLING, I DON'T LIKE THIS BUSINESS OF MEETING IN SECRET!

I DON'T EITHER BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!



WE'RE GOING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT SOON BECAUSE I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU!

OH, BRUCE, ARE YOU? I LOVE YOU SO MUCH...



WHEN TWO PEOPLE ARE IN LOVE, THEY CAN'T GO ON LIKE THIS!



CELIA, I WANT TO MARRY YOU, IF YOU'LL HAVE ME!

YES, BRUCE! YES!



IT'S GETTING LATE! I'LL GET YOU HOME NOW SO YOU WON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE! AND VERY SOON I'LL HAVE A TALK WITH YOUR AUNT, MYSELF!

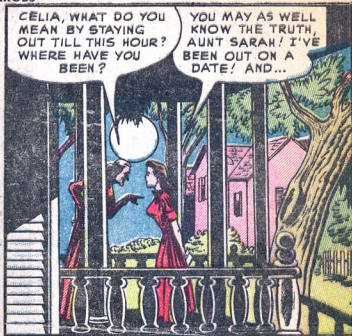
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HERE'S YOUR CORNER!
I'LL WATCH UNTIL YOU GET
IN THE HOUSE! AND DON'T
WORRY, WE'LL WORK
THINGS OUT!

I HOPE
SO! GOOD
NIGHT,
DARLING!

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GUILT I FELT
FOR DECEIV-
ING AUNT SARAH!
AH! AND I
DREADED
THE
SNOWDOWN!*



CELIA, WHAT DO YOU
MEAN BY STAYING
OUT TILL THIS HOUR?
WHERE HAVE YOU
BEEN?

YOU MAY AS WELL
KNOW THE TRUTH,
AUNT SARAH! I'VE
BEEN OUT ON A
DATE! AND...



THEN I
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BEFORE!
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ALL RIGHT! BUT
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SEE YOU SOON
TO TELL YOU
THAT WE'RE IN
LOVE AND GOING
TO GET MARRIED!



MARRIED? YOU
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TALKING
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WITH OR WITH-
OUT YOUR
CONSENT, I'LL
MARRY HIM!

ARE YOU SURE?
REMEMBER
THAT I CON-
TROL YOUR
ESTATE!



IF YOU MARRY AGAINST MY WILL,
I CAN CUT YOU OFF WITHOUT
A CENT!

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IT WAS YOUR FATHER'S PROVISION IN HIS WILL TO PROTECT YOU FROM FORTUNE HUNTERS! YOU STAND TO INHERIT HALF A MILLION DOLLARS!

I DON'T CARE! WHAT'S WRONG WITH BEING POOR?

IN MY ROOM, I BEGAN TO THINK CLEARLY AGAIN! HALF A MILLION DOLLARS WAS A LOT OF MONEY TO TOSS OVERBOARD BUT WHAT GOOD WOULD IT BE TO ME IF IT MEANT GROWING OLD LIKE AUNT SARAH? WHY MUST THERE BE A PRICE ON HAPPINESS?

BRUCE IS NO FORTUNE HUNTER! HE DOESN'T KNOW I HAVE ANY MONEY AT ALL!

HE'D NEVER LET ME GIVE IT UP FOR HIM, IF HE KNEW! AND I HAD NO IDEA IT WAS THAT MUCH MYSELF!

BUT WHY IS AUNT SARAH SO UNREASONABLE? WHY WON'T SHE MEET BRUCE AND FIND OUT ABOUT HIM FOR HERSELF?

AUNT SARAH WOULDN'T LET ME OUT OF HER SIGHT THE NEXT DAY FOR FEAR I MIGHT MEET "THAT MAN", AS SHE PUT IT! SHE WAS DRIVING TO TOWN AND INSISTED THAT I GO ALONG AND I DID JUST TO KEEP PEACE! SUDDENLY...

THAT CAR! LOOK OUT!

HEY! WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING!

I COULDN'T STOP!

EEEAGHH!

CRASH!

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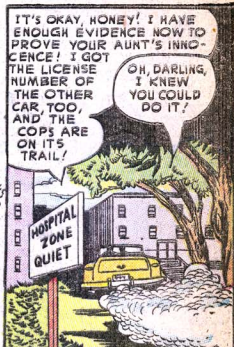


AUNT SARAH, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? CALL AN AMBULANCE, SOMEBODY! A MAN'S BEEN HURT IN HERE!



I'LL HAVE TO HOLD YOU ON A CHARGE OF RECKLESS DRIVING! BUT IT WASN'T HER FAULT! BRUCE! HE'S A LAWYER! I HAVE TO FIND A TELEPHONE AND CALL BRUCE!

THE CONFUSION THAT FOLLOWED REMAINS IN MY MIND NOW LIKE THE MEMORY OF AN INCOHERENT NIGHTMARE: THERE WERE POLICE CARS AND AMBULANCES, AUNT SARAH'S ARREST AND THEN HER COLLAPSE! BRUCE WAS WORKING TO GET WITNESSES! FINALLY...



IT'S OKAY, HONEY! I HAVE ENOUGH EVIDENCE NOW TO PROVE YOUR AUNT'S INNOCENCE! I GOT THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THE OTHER CAR, TOO, AND THE COPS ARE ON ITS TRAIL!

OH, DARLING, I KNEW YOU COULD DO IT!



RIGHT NOW, UNTIL THIS IS ALL OVER, MAYBE YOU'D BETTER NOT TELL HER THAT...

THAT I LOVE YOU? OKAY, SWEETHEART! WHATEVER YOU SAY!

AS I STOOD BESIDE AUNT SARAH'S BED AND HEARD BRUCE EXPLAIN NOW HE HAD CLEARED HER AND THAT EVERYTHING WOULD BE ALL RIGHT, MY KNEES TREMBLED AND I WANTED TO CRY! AND THEN...



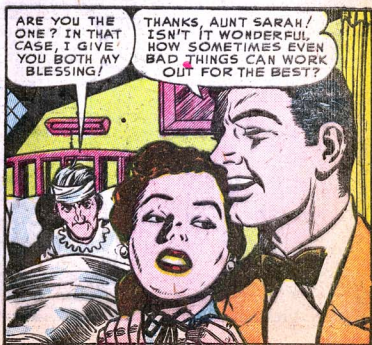
YOUNG MAN, I LIKE YOU! YOU'RE SMART AND HONEST! HAVE YOU MET MY NIECE?

YES, MISS CARVER, I HAVE!



OH, BRUCE, DARLING! WE MAY AS WELL TELL HER NOW! I HATE DECEIT!

SO DO I! MISS CARVER, I'M IN LOVE WITH CELIA AND I WANT TO MARRY HER!



ARE YOU THE ONE? IN THAT CASE, I GIVE YOU BOTH MY BLESSING!

THANKS, AUNT SARAH! ISN'T IT WONDERFUL HOW SOMETIMES EVEN BAD THINGS CAN WORK OUT FOR THE BEST?

LOVE ITSELF WASN'T ENOUGH FOR ME! AS SOON AS GARY RUSSELL AND I, JILL SAGER, HAD SET OUR WEDDING DATE, I PLUNGED INTO AN EXCITING PROGRAM OF SHALLOW ACTIVITIES THAT LEFT ME NO TIME OR ENERGY TO SATISFY THE HUNGER OF GARY'S LIPS! THEN I LEARNED THAT A MAN CRAVES MORE FROM THE WOMAN HE IS GOING TO MARRY... MORE THAN I WAS WILLING TO GIVE! FOR TO ME,

KISSES *came* SECOND



GARY AND I FELL IN LOVE ALMOST THE DAY HE CAME TO WORK AT THE UNITED COPPER CORPORATION, WHERE I HELD DOWN A DULL OFFICE JOB!

NO MORE LUNCHES WITH THE GIRLS, EH, JILL? WE MISS YOU, BUT I'LL BET HOLDING HANDS WITH GARY AT RANDOLPH'S IS MORE FUN!

I'D LIKE IT BETTER IF WE WERE HAVING BREAKFAST AND DINNER IN OUR HOME!



THAT'LL HAPPEN, TOO! IMAGINE HAVING UNITED'S MOST PROMISING MINING ENGINEER AS CRAZY ABOUT YOU AS GARY IS! SOME GIRLS HAVE ALL THE LUCK!

I WON'T CONSIDER MYSELF LUCKY UNTIL I'M MAKING WEDDING PLANS!



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I DIDN'T KNOW HOW SOON THOSE WEDDING PLANS WOULD BE SET INTO MOTION! THAT NIGHT---

TIME TO SAY GOOD NIGHT AGAIN, ISN'T IT, JILL? HOW I WISH... WE DIDN'T HAVE TO!

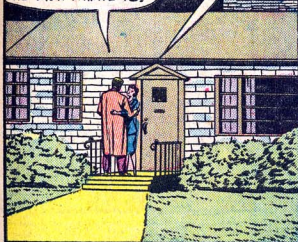
I'VE WISHED THAT, TOO, GARY!

THEN WHY SHOULD WE? I LOVE YOU, DARLING! IF I WAS SURE YOU FELT THE SAME WAY ABOUT ME---

OH, I DO, GARY! I DO!

THEN LET'S NOT TORTURE OURSELVES WITH GOODNIGHTS! THERE'S NOTHING TO STOP US FROM GETTING MARRIED! OH, JILL... TELL ME THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT!

MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD!



That SEALED AN UNSPOKEN PROMISE! BUT EVEN AS I FELT THE PASSIONATE TREMOR OF HIS LIPS ON MINE, I STARTED WEAVING THE WEB THAT WAS TO TRAP US BOTH!

TOMORROW I'LL START SHOPPING FOR MY TROUSSEAU! AND I'LL PLAN THE BIGGEST WEDDING THIS TOWN HAS EVER SEEN!



And THE NEXT SATURDAY---

I NEVER KNEW GETTING MARRIED WOULD BE THIS EXCITING, MOTHER! WAIT UNTIL GARY SEES THE LOVELY THINGS WE BOUGHT!

HE'LL BE OVER TONIGHT, WON'T HE?



UHH! I'M DYING TO SHOW GARY THOSE LINEN TABLECLOTHS AND THE SILVERWARE PATTERN WE'VE PICKED!

I'M SURE HE'LL APPRECIATE THE INTEREST YOU'VE TAKEN, DEAR!

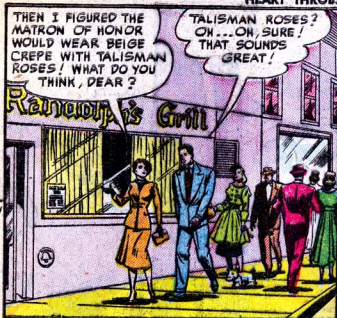


How COULD I HAVE BEEN SO BLIND? THAT WAS WHAT MARRIAGE MEANT TO ME... A CHANCE TO PLAY HOUSE, TO ACCUMULATE MATERIAL THINGS THAT WOULD IMPRESS MY FRIENDS AND PLEASE MY VANITY!

I'M GOING TO MAKE GARY PROUD OF ME! HE'LL HAVE A HOME THAT WILL MAKE HIS FRIENDS ENVY HIM!



IN THE WEEKS THAT FOLLOWED, MY DESIRE FOR A GLORIOUS WEDDING AND A DAZZLING HOME BECAME AN OBSESSION... AN OBSESSION THAT GARY DIDN'T SHARE!



THEN I FIGURED THE MATRON OF HONOR WOULD WEAR BEIGE CREPE WITH TALISMAN ROSES! WHAT DO YOU THINK, DEAR?

TALISMAN ROSES? OH...OH, SURE! THAT SOUNDS GREAT!

BUT DOROTHY SAYS SHE LOOKS HIDEOUS IN BEIGE! AND THE TALISMAN WOULD CLASH WITH THE COLORS THE BRIDESMAIDS ARE WEARING, SO...

WELL, DON'T LET IT UPSET YOU, HONEY! IT'LL WORK OUT SOMEHOW!



BUT, IT'S SO IMPORTANT, GARY! I'VE BEEN A WRECK TRYING TO FIGURE IT ALL OUT!

OH, FOR PETE'S SAKE, JILL!

AFTER ALL, THE SUN ISN'T GOING TO STOP RISING EVEN IF THE BRIDESMAIDS WEAR RAINBOW-STRIPED GUNNY SACKS!

GARY! I...I DON'T THINK YOU REALIZE HOW MUCH A GIRL'S WEDDING MEANS TO HER!



THIS WEDDING HAPPENS TO MEAN A LOT TO ME, TOO, JILL! BUT DARNED IF I'M GOING TO GET HYSTERICAL ABOUT IT!

HYSTERICAL? WELL, REALLY, GARY!



I WOULD THINK YOU'D TAKE AN INTEREST IN THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY IN OUR LIVES! I'VE GOTTEN NOTHING FOR MY EFFORTS BUT INSULTS!

NOW WAIT A MINUTE, JILL! BE SENSIBLE!

Later THAT DAY I APOLOGIZED TO GARY FOR THAT SCENE AND WE MADE UP! BUT THE DAMAGE HAD BEEN DONE... AND THAT WAS ONLY THE BEGINNING!



I'M GLAD YOU PATCHED YOUR QUARREL WITH GARY, DEAR! BUT HE IS EXASPERATING, TAKING YOUR WEDDING SO CASUALLY!

ALMOST AS IF HE DIDN'T CARE WHETHER WE GOT MARRIED OR NOT!

BUT MY ANNOYANCE WITH GARY WAS ONLY A MINOR FLAW IN OUR HAPPY RELATIONSHIP! AS MY MANIA FOR A CRAMMED HOPE CHEST GREW, I FOUND LESS AND LESS TIME FOR GARY!

I'M COUNTING THE DAYS, JILL! YOU'LL BE MINE SOON AND I WON'T HAVE TO SHARE YOU WITH THE WORLD!

IT FRIGHTENS ME WHEN I THINK HOW LITTLE TIME WE HAVE LEFT!

I STILL HAVE SO MUCH TO DO! I HAVEN'T ARRANGED FOR THE PHOTOGRAPHER OR THE CHURCH ORGANIST... AND I HAVE TO BUY GIFTS FOR THE BRIDESMAIDS!

FORGET IT, JILL! COME HERE!

IT SEEMS LIKE WE DON'T FIND TIME ANYMORE TO JUST SIT AND MAKE LOVE!

OH, GARY, THERE'S TIME ENOUGH FOR THAT!

WHEN ALL THE IMPORTANT THINGS ARE TAKEN CARE OF? WHEN WE'RE REGISTERED AT THE OLD PEOPLE'S HOME? NO, THANKS, HONEY!

DON'T START THAT AGAIN! PLEASE, GARY!

DON'T YOU SEE, DARLING? THE ONLY THING THAT MATTERS IS OUR LOVE FOR EACH OTHER! ALL THE REST OF THE TRAPPINGS ARE INCIDENTAL!

TRAPPINGS! HOW CAN YOU SAY A THING LIKE THAT?

I'M SORRY, BABY! HERE, LET'S FORGET IT AND...

DON'T, GARY! I'VE BEEN SHOPPING ALL DAY AND I'M JUST NOT IN THE MOOD!

SATURDAY NIGHTS WE USED TO STAY UP UNTIL ALL HOURS AND YOU WERE ALWAYS IN THE MOOD FOR KISSES! BUT THAT WAS BEFORE I HAD TO COMPETE WITH A CROWDED DEPARTMENT STORE!

DON'T BE CHILDISH, GARY! YOU COULD BE A LITTLE MORE CONSIDERATE WHEN I'M TIRED!



OH, I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN WARNING THEN! I SHOULD HAVE REALIZED THAT GARY'S CONSUMING LOVE FOR ME HAD TO FIND EXPRESSION IN MY ARMS... IN THE IMPASSIONED MEETING OF OUR LIPS! BUT INSTEAD A FEW NIGHTS LATER,

HEART THROBS

MOTHER FANGSCHLEISTER'S TRUSTY ALMANAC SAYS THERE'S GOING TO BE A FULL MOON TONIGHT, HONEY! WHAT SAY WE DRIVE OUT TO PINE LAKE FOR A GOOD LOOK AT IT?

HOW CAN WE, DEAR? MOTHER AND I HAD PLANNED TO ADDRESS INVITATIONS TONIGHT?



I'LL BUY THAT ALIBI, JILL, BUT I WON'T LIKE IT!

OH, YOU'LL CHEER UP IN A MINUTE! JUST WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE WHAT MOTHER'S GIVING US!



LOOK! BONE CHINA, I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW! AND WE SHOPPED IN THAT IMPORTED LINEN SHOP TODAY AND I BOUGHT THE MOST GORGEOUS LACE CLOTH TO GO WITH IT! HERE, I'LL SHOW YOU...

IT LOOKS SWELL, JILL!



I CAN'T WAIT TO HAVE PEOPLE OVER FOR DINNER! SEE, THIS IS THE... GARY, WHAT'S WRONG?

NOTHING! NOTHING AT ALL!



WELL, YOU CERTAINLY DON'T ACT VERY ENTHUSIASTIC!

WERE YOU ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT BEING ALONE WITH ME TONIGHT? ARE YOU ENTHUSIASTIC WHEN I PUT MY ARMS AROUND YOU AND TELL YOU I LOVE YOU?



GARY, BE CAREFUL! DON'T SAY SOMETHING YOU'LL REGRET!

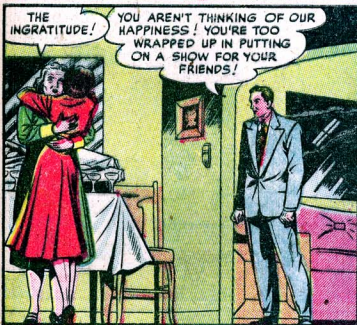
IF I'LL REGRET ANYTHING IT'S GETTING INVOLVED IN THIS WHOLESALE SHOPPING SPREE YOU CALL MARRIAGE!



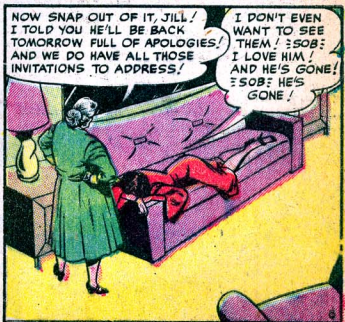
I POUR OUT MY HEART TO YOU AND YOU TELL ME ABOUT THE DAY'S PURCHASES! I KISS YOU AND IT'S LIKE KISSING A STONE STATUE BECAUSE YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT HOW IMPRESSED YOUR FRIENDS WILL BE WITH ITALIAN DOILIES!



HEART THROBS



Fury
IS A FLEETING EMOTION! WHEN MINE SUBSIDED, THERE WAS NOTHING LEFT BUT THE HOLLOW ACHE IN MY HEART THAT TOLD ME I HAD THROWN AWAY MY CHANCE FOR HAPPINESS!



My
MOTHER'S
PREDICTION
WAS WRONG!
GARY DIDN'T
COME BACK
THE NEXT
DAY, NOR
WERE
THERE
ANY
APOLOGIES!
AND WHEN
I SAW
HIM AT
THE
OFFICE!

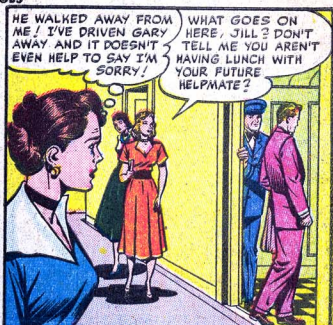
I...I'M SORRY
ABOUT WHAT
HAPPENED, GARY!
COULDN'T WE...

FORGET IT, JILL!
THAT'S WHAT I'M
DOING!



HE WALKED AWAY FROM
ME! I'VE DRIVEN GARY
AWAY AND IT DOESN'T
EVEN HELP TO SAY I'M
SORRY!

WHAT GOES ON
HERE, JILL? DON'T
TELL ME YOU AREN'T
HAVING LUNCH WITH
YOUR FUTURE
HELPMATE?



NO...NO, GARY HAD
AN APPOINTMENT
SOMEWHERE!

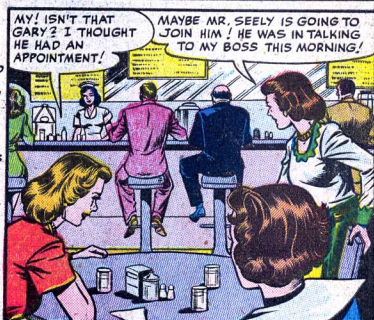
THAT MEANS YOU
CAN JOIN THE HEN
PARTY, EH? JUST LIKE
OLD TIMES!

My
MISERY
WAS ONLY
HEIGHTENED
BY THE
HUMILIATION
OF SEEING
GARY AT
OUR
FAVORITE
RENDEZVOUS
---ALONE
AND
OBVIOUSLY
DEJECTED!



MY! ISN'T THAT
GARY? I THOUGHT
HE HAD AN
APPOINTMENT!

MAYBE MR. SEELEY IS GOING TO
JOIN HIM! HE WAS IN TALKING
TO MY BOSS THIS MORNING!



I THOUGHT IT
WAS RATHER
STRANGE, ASKING
MR. SEELEY FOR
A TRANSFER
JUST TWO
WEEKS BEFORE
YOUR WEDDING!

A...TRANSFER?
OH, YES...WE
TALKED ABOUT
THAT THE
OTHER DAY!

HMM! HE SAID HE'D
LIKE TO WORK ON
THAT NEW PROJECT
IN COPPER CITY!
DO YOU REALLY
THINK YOU'LL
LIKE LIVING IN AN
ARIZONA MINING
TOWN, JILL?

COME TO THINK,
OF IT, GARY
ASKED ME TO
MAKE A TRAIN
RESERVATION
FOR HIM! FOR
TOMORROW!

OH, LET'S NOT
TALK SHOP!
TELL US ABOUT
YOUR PLANS
FOR THE
WEDDING,
JILL!

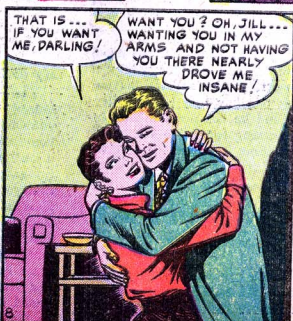
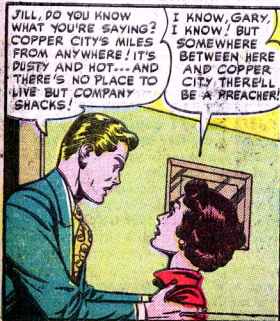
GARY'S LEAVING
TOMORROW!
HE'LL HAVE
WALKED OUT OF
MY LIFE FOREVER!



SOMEHOW I CHOKED BACK THE BLISTERING TEARS AND STRUGGLED THROUGH THE ORDEAL OF PRETENDING I KNEW GARY WAS LEAVING! BUT ALONE AT MY DESK!



WAS GARY'S EXCUSE SINCERE, OR DID HE WANT TO AVOID AN UNPLEASANT SCENE? WHAT IF HE LEFT TOWN WITHOUT KEEPING HIS DATE WITH ME? MY AFTERNOON WAS SPENT IN AN AGONY OF SUSPENSE! BUT THAT EVENING...



IT WOULD BE A YEAR OR MORE BEFORE GARY AND I RETURNED... AND OUR "NEW HOME" WOULD HARDLY BE THE PLACE FOR BONE CHINA AND IRISH LINENS! PERHAPS THE HOPE CHEST WOULD NEVER BE UNPACKED! BUT WITH GARY'S ARMS AROUND ME, EVEN A DUSTY COPPER CITY SHACK WOULD BE HEAVEN, FOR I HAD LEARNED THE REAL MEANING OF MARRIAGE!

Advice on Love Problems

By MARILYN MINTON

Dear Marilyn Minton:

I have read your column and your advice to others and I hope you can help me because I have no one else to turn to. My boy friend and I are both seventeen and both in our final year of high school. He has a job in a grocery store on Saturdays and the promise of steady work when he graduates. So he's sure of an income and we want to get married. But my parents absolutely refuse to consent to it and so do his. He wants us to elope. That would mean that we'd have to lie about our ages and I don't like that. Miss Minton, I am in love with him and I know he loves me. What do you think we should do?

Yours truly,

M.B.
Denver, Colorado

My dear M.B.:

This is not a matter of what I *think* you should do. It's what I *know*. Too many youngsters of your age have married in haste and repented at leisure. If you love each other, which I do not doubt, that love won't be lost with a little waiting. Insist that your boy friend graduate and get established in his job and save a little money before you get married. Remember that you can't live on love alone. And by that time, both your parents will probably take a different view. You will be much happier getting married with their blessings than without them. Think it over and I believe you will agree with me.

Marilyn Minton

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Dear Marilyn Minton:

Will you please answer a question that has been bothering me? I am fifteen and popular with the boys and am often asked to parties and the movies and so on. But there is one boy that I like better than any of the others and he has never asked me for a date. Would it be wrong for me to ask him? Some of my girl friends think it would. Please give me your opinion.

Sincerely yours,
Barbara C.
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Barbara:

I agree with your friends wholeheartedly that it would not be right to ask this boy for a date. Men like to be the aggressors and this little act on your part might completely ruin your chances of

ever going with him at all. The only times when I would consider it proper would be if you invited a mixed group to your home, in which case he would be just another guest and not your particular date, or if a girls' club were giving a party where it was part of the plan to invite boys. In any case, my dear, don't be obvious. Just be as charming as possible. That's a woman's best way of working wonders.

Marilyn Minton

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Dear Miss Minton:

My problem is rather unusual, I believe, and I would be very grateful for your advice. I am a girl of twenty-two and come from a family of seven children. Things were not easy for me until I started working in an office where I was thrown in almost constant contact with a fellow who is now nineteen. We started having lunch together, then going out evenings, and the inevitable happened. We fell in love. We want to be married but just the mention of it has started a lot of trouble. My friends say I'm making a big mistake to consider marriage with anyone so much younger than I. My brother who is also nineteen, and whom I have always adored, says I have a mother complex and absolutely refuses to have anything to do with my boy friend. My parents say I'm old enough to decide for myself. Miss Minton, do you think that two people can be happy together when there is such a difference in age? I wouldn't want to make a mistake.

Thanks for any advice you can give me.

Forth Worth, Texas
Blanche D.

My dear Blanche:

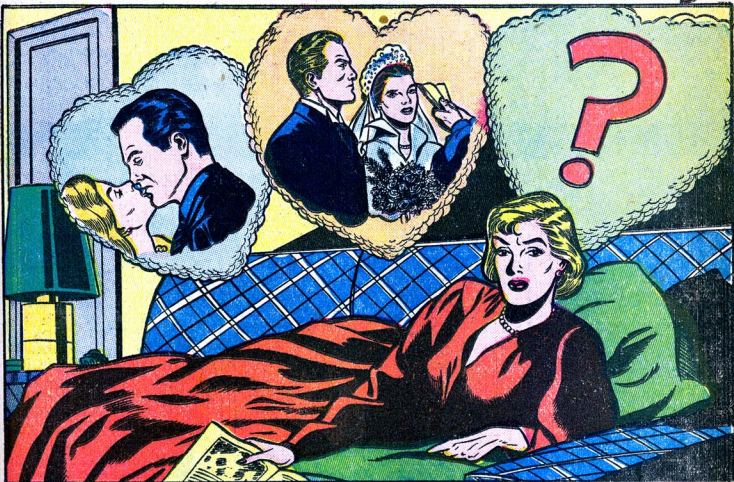
You have presented me with a difficult problem indeed and I would have to know you and also your boy friend before I would venture to give you any sort of a decisive answer. For, you see, it isn't so much your ages in years that counts as the extent of your maturity. It is very possible that your marriage to this man might be the happiest in the world. But look carefully before you leap. Be sure that your brother isn't right—that your interest in this boy isn't mostly maternal which is highly possible among people who come from large families. All I can advise is caution and that you take a little time to be sure. You sound like a sensible girl. So good luck.

Marilyn Minton

HEART THROBS

TWO HEARTBREAKS WERE TOO MANY! THE FIRST LEFT ME SICK AND HURT WITH A DEEP SENSE OF HOPELESSNESS! THE SECOND MADE ME BITTER AND DEFIANT! I BELIEVED THAT ALL MEN WERE CHEATS AND TWO-TIMERS! WOULD I DARE TAKE ANOTHER CHANCE WITH ROMANCE? COULD IT BE TRUE THAT THE

Third Time is Lucky

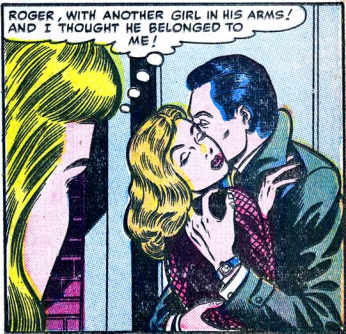


I HAD BEEN SO SURE OF ROGER DRAKE'S LOVE, SO POSITIVE THAT HE WOULD SOON PROPOSE! AND THEN ONE NIGHT...

OH, NO! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!



ROGER, WITH ANOTHER GIRL IN HIS ARMS! AND I THOUGHT HE BELONGED TO ME!



IT WAS TOO STUNNED TO MOVE! AND I COULDN'T HELP HEARING WHAT THEY WERE SAYING!

I'M CRAZY ABOUT YOU, BABY! FROM NOW ON, YOU'LL BE MY GIRL!

BUT WHAT ABOUT TERRY PARKS? I THOUGHT YOU WERE SERIOUS ABOUT HER!



NO! THAT WAS ... JUST A PASSING FANCY!

A PASSING FANCY? AFTER ALL, THE SWEET THINGS ROGER SAID TO ME!



THEY WERE LIES! ALL JUST LIES!



A SICKENING KIND OF GRIEF GRIPPED ME! I WAS HURRYING HOME TO BE ALONE BUT I MET DAN BRANSON! DAN HAD LIVED NEXT DOOR TO US FOR YEARS AND HE WAS LIKE A BIG BROTHER!

HI, TERRY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING OUT ALONE AT THIS TIME OF NIGHT?

I WAS REST-LESS SO I DECIDED TO TAKE A LONG WALK! AND I...



OH, DAN, IT'S TERRIBLE! I DIDN'T MEAN TO BE SNOOPING OR EAVESDROPPING! I JUST HAPPENED TO BE GOING BY AND...

GOOD HEAVENS, HONEY! WHAT'S WRONG?



IT'S ROGER! I MAY AS WELL TELL YOU! YOU'LL FIND OUT ANYWAY!

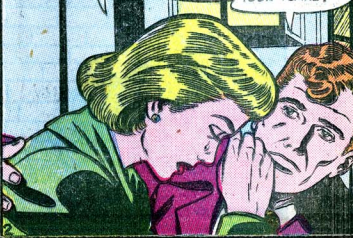
SURE! SPILL IT! YOU'LL FEEL BETTER TO TALK ABOUT YOUR TROUBLES!



I POURED OUT MY STORY AND PUNCTUATED EACH SENTENCE WITH SOBS!

I'M SO MISERABLE AND UNHAPPY!

I'D SAY YOU'RE LUCKY TO BE RID OF A GUY LIKE THAT! NOW DRY YOUR EYES! HE'S NOT WORTH ALL YOUR TEARS!



HEART THROBS

TOMORROW'S MY DAY OFF! HOW ABOUT TAKING A LONG RIDE IN THE COUNTRY? IT'LL MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER!

OKAY! THEN I WON'T BE HERE IF ROGER CALLS! I'LL NEVER SPEAK TO HIM AGAIN!

I STUCK TO MY VOW! ROGER CALLED A FEW TIMES AND WAS ALWAYS TOLD THAT I WAS OUT! BUT IT WASN'T EASY TO GET OVER THE HURT AND THE HEART-ACHE AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WOULD HAVE DONE WITHOUT DAN!

HEY, TERRY, WANT TO TAKE IN A MOVIE TONIGHT?

SURE, DAN! I'D LIKE TO!

GOOD! BE READY A LITTLE BEFORE EIGHT!

I WILL! AND THANKS! YOU'RE A PAL!

Over the WEEKS WENT BY, MY WOUNDS BEGAN TO HEAL! I BEGAN DATING OTHER FELLOWS AND FOUND THAT THE WHOLE WORLD DIDN'T REVOLVE AROUND ROGER AFTER ALL! AND THEN ONE DAY...

TERRY, I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET ALLEN SEELEY! HE JUST MOVED HERE AND WORKS IN THE OFFICE WITH MY BOY FRIEND! THIS IS TERRY PARKS, ALLEN!

A PRETTY NAME AND A PRETTY GIRL! THIS IS A PLEASURE!

TELL YOU WHAT... LET'S DOUBLE DATE TONIGHT!

SUITS ME FINE IF IT'S OKAY WITH TERRY!

YES, OF COURSE!

THEN WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? COME ALONG OR I'LL BE LATE IN MEETING MY ONE-AND-ONLY!

The EVENING WAS A SUCCESS AND ALLEN SEELEY PRACTICALLY SWEEPED ME OFF MY FEET!

THOSE TWO ARE GETTING ALONG GREAT!

MAYBE WE'VE MADE A MATCH!



I FELT GAY ALL THE NEXT DAY AND LIFE SEEMED WORTH LIVING AGAIN! ALLEN HAD BEEN SWEET AND ATTENTIVE AND APPEARED TO BE QUITE SMITTEN WITH ME! AS I HURRIED FROM THE OFFICE TO GET DRESSED FOR MY DATE, DAN CAME OUT TO MEET ME!



WE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME! I TRIED TO TELL MYSELF THAT I SHOULD TAKE IT EASY AND NOT FALL TOO FAST FOR A MAN I HAD JUST MET! BUT MY ARGUMENTS WITH MYSELF WEREN'T VERY EFFECTIVE, ESPECIALLY WHEN ALLEN BROUGHT ME HOME!



THAT I CAN'T
RESIST THIS!



ALLEN'S
KISS
KINDLED A
FLAME
THAT MADE
ME FEEL
WARM AND
EXUBERANT!
I WAS
WANTED
ONCE AGAIN
AND ROGER'S
ATTENTIONS
HAD NEVER
GIVEN
ME SUCH
A THRILL!
ALLEN
WAS THE
ONE FOR
ME!

I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HAPPY! I GUESS
IT GOES TO PROVE THAT EVERYTHING
HAPPENS FOR THE BEST!



I WOULDN'T TRADE ALLEN FOR A HUNDRED
ROGERS! ALL MY SUFFERING WAS FOR
NOTHING! THINGS ARE WORKING OUT
ALL RIGHT!



BUT THEY
WEREN'T AS
RIGHT AS I
THOUGHT! I
HAD BEEN
GOING OUT
WITH ALLEN
ALMOST EVERY
NIGHT FOR A
MONTH WHEN
ALL MY
DREAMS
COLLAPSED
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ACTED
STRANGELY
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THEN HE
SAID HE
HAD TO
TALK TO
ME!

SWEETHEART, YOU'RE TOPS!
I'LL ALWAYS THINK SO!
WILL YOU BELIEVE THAT?

WHY NOT? YOU'RE
PRETTY SWELL
YOURSELF!



YOU MAY CHANGE
YOUR MIND IN A
MINUTE! WHEN
YOU HEAR WHAT
I HAVE TO TELL
YOU!

WHAT? WHAT IS
IT, ALLEN?



I'M ENGAGED TO
SOMEONE ELSE,
TERRY! SHE'S
COMING HERE
TOMORROW AND
WE'RE GOING TO
BE MARRIED!

MARRIED? THEN
WHY HAVE YOU
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LOVE TO ME?



I'M SORRY!
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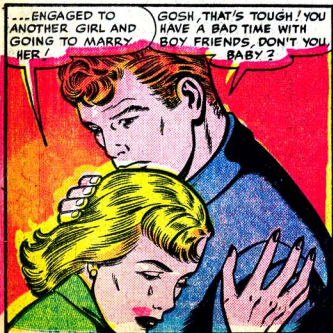
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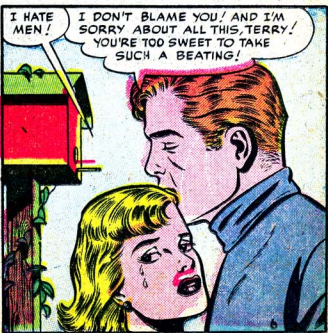
HEART THROBS



I CRIED ALL NIGHT AND MY EYES WERE SO SWOLLEN I DECIDED I WOULDN'T GO IN TO THE OFFICE THE NEXT MORNING! BUT DAN, BEING A VERY DISCERNING GUY, WOULDN'T LET ME GET BY WITH ANYTHING! HE SAW ME IN THE BACK YARD LATER...



DAN'S ARMS WERE COMFORTING TO ME! A LITTLE SYMPATHY RIGHT THEN HELPED A LOT! AND I NEEDED HELP BADLY!

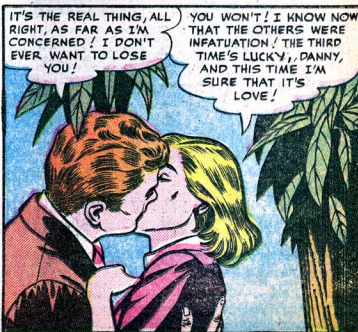
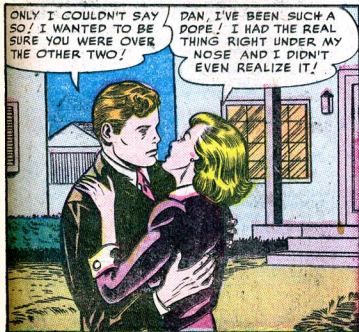




DEAR DAN! HE WAS THE MOST PATIENT PERSON IN THE WORLD! HE INSISTED THAT I WEAR MY PRETTIEST FORMAL SO THAT WE COULD DO THE TOWN IN STYLE! THAT, HE SAID, WOULD MAKE ME FORGET!



DAN SAW TO IT THAT I DIDN'T SPEND AN EVENING ALONE AFTER THAT! HE SAID IT WOULD BE BAD FOR MY MORALE! I WAS GRATEFUL TO HIM AND ONE NIGHT I TOLD HIM SO!



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JUST MAIL THE CONVENIENT INTRODUCTORY COUPON! Upon arrival of Juelene pay Postman \$1.00 plus postage. Or if you prefer, send a remittance with your order—we will pay the postage. Then test Juelene. Notice how much more silky and soft your hair may be in just seven short days. So take advantage of this INTRODUCTORY, GET-ACQUAINTED-OFFER today—NOW, and know at last the happiness of possessing really lovelier hair.

INTRODUCTORY COUPON...

**JUEL COMPANY, Dept. A-625
4727 N. Damen., Chicago 25, Ill.**

Yes, I want easy-to-manage, longer hair. I will try the JUELENE SYSTEM for 7 days. If my mirror doesn't show satisfactory results, I will ask for my money back.

- ☐ I am enclosing \$1.00
☐ Send C. O. D. plus postage

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Our Customers Participate in Gifts

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IF YOU CAN WHISTLE OR HUM A TUNE...



YOU CAN BE A POPULAR HARMONICA

...PLAYER IN 15 MINUTES OR YOUR MONEY BACK

SENSATIONAL INTRODUCTORY OFFER LIMITED TIME

"HOPPY'S" Unbelievably New Simple Method of Playing the Harmonica . . . is yours as a GIFT with this
Genuine WM. KRATT HARMONICA



**SATISFACTION
GUARANTEED**

7-DAY TRIAL OFFER

\$1.69

Hoppy's simplified instructions alone, are worth this low price.

**Full Size Professional Model.. Solid Brass Plates and Bronze Reeds
... Made by Wm. KRATT, maker of World's Finest Harmonicas.**

***In addition, you'll receive, absolutely without extra cost, 200 specially selected popular songs, complete with words and music, so that you can sing and play right along with your favorite radio programs or records.**

Thousands who couldn't play a tune are now popular entertainers, thanks to the amazing HOPPY Method

NOW, even if you don't know a note! . . . you can learn to play in a day! . . . or it costs you nothing. This daring offer is made because Hoppy's Simple "number" System has been tested over and over again. Remember, you are getting a nationally advertised, genuine metal professional harmonica with solid brass plates and bronze reeds. It bears the name of Wm. KRATT and that means tops in harmonicas. You can't buy a harmonica with finer workmanship no matter how much you pay. Think of this amazing triple-combination offer! A full size metal professional model harmonica bearing the greatest name in the industry; Hoppy's now, wonderfully simple method of playing the harmonica and 200 popular songs with complete words—songs you can play right away on your KRATT HARMONICA which comes in the Key of C, so you can accompany any other music. This extraordinary triple-offer cannot be maintained long. ACT NOW! Remember, there's a bona-fide money back guarantee.

**HOPKINSON CORP. — DEPT. 149
1665 MILWAUKEE AVE. — CHICAGO 47, ILL.**



**ISN'T HE
MARVELOUS**



SEND NO MONEY

Just send us your name and address on a penny postcard to Hopkinson Corp. 1665 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago 47, Ill. or fill in coupon below. You will be mailed immediately your beautiful "Key of C" professional metal harmonica; (2) Hoppy's popular book of complete instructions; and (3) 200 songs with all the words. On arrival, simply pay postman \$1.69 plus C.O.D. and postage. Keep for 7 days free trial offer. If not thoroughly satisfied, return and your \$1.69 will be refunded at once.

**HOPKINSON CORP. — DEPT. 149
1665 MILWAUKEE AVE. — CHICAGO 47, ILL.**

Mail me at once my genuine Wm. Kratt professional metal Harmonica and include, in accordance with your special offer, Hoppy's Book of Complete Instructions, and 200 popular songs. On arrival I will pay postman \$1.69 plus C.O.D. charges and postage. If in 7 days I am not completely delighted, I may return purchase and get my \$1.69 return in full. (Cash with order and Hoppy will pay postage)

Name.....

Address.....

City.....State.....

Sensational Offer to Flower Lovers!

100

Blooming Size **RAINBOW MIX**

GLADIOLUS

**100
BULBS
\$1.69**

**EXTRA BONUS
OFFERS INCLUDED**

DOZENS of brilliant, flaming colors in this Rainbow Mix Assortment of small blooming size bulbs. Flaming red, yellow, purple and blue Gladiolus for the remarkable low cost of less than 2¢ per bulb. A wonderful selection of young, virile bulbs now ready for first year blooms on spikes 2 to 3 feet tall and, with ordinary care, many years of flowering thereafter. Satisfaction guaranteed or purchase price refunded. Mail the coupon below and make your garden the envy of your neighborhood with a gorgeous riot of beautiful color.

**FREE OF EXTRA
CHARGE—3 TUBEROSES**

A real bargain in Gladiolus, yes! But that isn't all! For prompt ordering we will give you 3 Tuberoses without additional charge. These flower into beautiful waxy-white blooms on spikes 2 to 3 feet tall, and are extremely fragrant. Just mail your order and get these gift bulbs.

SEND NO MONEY—MAIL COUPON

Your Gladiolus Bulbs and Extra Tuberoses will be sent you by return mail. Send no money...deposit only \$1.69 plus postage with postman on arrival with the distinct understanding that if you're not 100% thrilled with your bargain you need only to return your purchase for full refund! But don't wait...if you don't send in your order TODAY, you may be too late! Mail coupon now!

SPECIAL BONUS COUPONS

We save labor, postage and packing when you order two or more of our items at one time, and we are glad to pass these extra savings on to you in the form of bonus merchandise that costs you nothing extra. Put X in proper square below, then put orders and gift coupon in the same envelope. Your gift items, plus your orders, will reach you for Spring Planting.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Send 2 Orders at One Time and Receive at No Extra Cost 12 IMPORTED ANEMONE BULBS | <input type="checkbox"/> Send 3 or More Orders at One Time and Get 12 Anemone Bulbs Plus 12 RANUNCULUS BULBS Imported from Holland |
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MAIL THIS COUPON TODAY

Michigan Bulb Co., Dept. GG-1838, Grand Rapids 2, Mich.
Send order checked below. I will pay postman amount of order on arrival, plus postage on guarantee that all bulbs are blooming size and I must be fully satisfied or may return for refund of the purchase price.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 100 Gladiolus (our Feature Offer as described above) with BONUS of 3 Tuberoses..... | \$1.69 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 100 Growers Choice Gladiolus (medium size) with BONUS of 3 Tuberoses..... | \$1.98 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 100 Exhibition Gladiolus (medium and large size) with BONUS of 3 Tuberoses..... | \$2.98 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 50 IMPORTED FROM HOLLAND Gladiolus (large size) with BONUS of 3 Tuberoses..... | \$2.98 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10 IMPORTED Begonia Bulbs..... | \$1.69 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 25 Dahlia Roots..... | \$1.93 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12 Canna Bulbs..... | \$1.69 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10 Cushion Mum Plants..... | \$1.69 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 35 Perennial Plants..... | \$1.94 |

☐ Send C.O.D. plus postage ☐ Cash enclosed

Name

Address

City Zone State

SEND NOW TO MICHIGAN BULB CO.
DEPT. GG-1838, GRAND RAPIDS 2, MICHIGAN

This is a painting of typical American Gladiolus by a well-known artist. However, it is not necessarily intended to portray the gladiolus developed from the bulbs advertised here, but merely to illustrate the beauty gladiolus can bring to your garden.